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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/790,828		Applicant(s) MATSUMURA ET AL.	
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Date of Interview: 13 November 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 42-47.

Identification of prior art discussed: Taniguchi et al (US 5,710,620) and Kunii et al (US 6,388,386).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed the newly filed claims 42-47. The Examiner agreed that as claimed the new limitations provide structure to the phase modulation unit and optical system, thus overcome the previous intended use portion of the previous rejection. However, the Examiner did note that a further search would be conducted in regards to the amendment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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	/Matthew Song/ Matthew Song, Examiner, AU 1792
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